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For: RESETTABLE SAFETY SHIELD FOR  
MEDICAL NEEDLES

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**AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING RCE**

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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This response is submitted with a Request for Continued Examination, following a final Office Action dated April 8, 2009, for which a response is due on July 8, 2009. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, in light of the amendments and remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 13 of this paper.